

UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS
FIFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
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for immediate release

P R E S S R E L E A S E

The United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit has tentatively selected Stacey G.C. Jernigan for appointment as a United States Bankruptcy Judge for the Northern District of Texas at Dallas, subject to further consideration after background investigations are conducted. The vacancy on the bankruptcy bench occurred when Judge Steven A. Felsenthal resigned effective September 30, 2005.

Ms. Jernigan is a native of Dallas. She graduated from the University of Texas School of Law in 1989, and presently is a partner with the law firm of Haynes and Boone, L.L.P. in Dallas, Texas, where she has been practicing since 1989.

Bankruptcy Judges are appointed to the bench for a term of 14 years.

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